

Most of the mail did not lend itself so readily to categorisation, consisting of rambling paeans and panegyrics to the wonders of nature and/or "your goodself". One of the more cogent and precise of these missives read as follows:

Mr Torben  
J-17 Hauz Khas  
New Dehli 16

"ARISE, AWAKE AND STOP NOT UNTILL (sic) THE GOAL  
IS REACHED".

The Savant,

"I have roamed from country to country keeping  
HER in the love of my heart, and around HER have  
risen and fallen the growth and decay of my life".  
HER really refers to the butterfly in your life.

Your research (butterfly migration) is the  
burgeoning source to me and it helps me to  
conclude that really a research can be carried out  
on such topics, which (concerning butterfly) was  
and is my rampant quality and interest.

I am a student (20 yrs) studying statistics.  
Please let me know if I can be of help to you.

With my obeissance and veneration, happy X-mas,  
loads of love  
yours

Debasis.

During a recent visit to India, I learnt that the tape is still regularly shown on educational TV (there was also some talk of repeat fees). They may have left out the address, since I get no more feed-back – or possibly the present inhabitants of J-17 Hauz Khas enjoy the correspondence.

Be that as it may, I must confess to missing the endearing, naive crankiness that is an ever-present component of the incredible cocktail that life in India mixes.– TORBEN B. LARSEN, 358 Coldharbour Lane, London SW9 8PL.

***Malacosoma castrensis* L.(Lep.: Lasiocampidae) recorded from Devon**

Fully-grown larvae of *M. castrensis* were found on a variety of plants including *Rumex crispus*, *Daucus carota* and *Salix* sp. growing on the shingle beach at Seaton, Devon. Skinner (*Colour identification guide to moths of the British Isles*) gives the distribution of this lasiocampid moth as being the coastal areas of north Kent, Essex and Suffolk. Over 100 larvae were seen on 24th June 1995.– G. KING, 22 Stoney Meade, Slough SL1 2YL.